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The above references disclose the preparation of 8-[4-[4-(2-pyrimidinyl)-1-piperazinyl]butyl]-8-azaspiro[4.5]decane-7,9-dione and its pharmaceutically acceptable salts and the identification of its psychotropic properties. The Examiner's attention is directed to pages 3 (beginning at line 7) and 4 of the specification and to the first paragraph on page 5 where the distinction between anxiolytic or anti-neurotic action with which the process of the present invention is concerned and anti-psychotic action which is referred to in the above references. There is also enclosed a copy of J. Amer. Med.

Assoc., 225, 520 (1973) (cited on page 2, line 2, of the specification) where publication of the non-proprietary name "buspirone hydrochloride" occurred.

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